



## **King County**

# **Interagency Coordinating Council (KCICC) Minutes**

**Day/Date:** Monday, March 9, 2009  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Community Center at Mercer View  
8236 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Mercer Island, WA 98040  
**Phone:** 206-275-7609

**KCICC Members Present:** **Sandy Duncan, Family Resource Coordinator**  
**Donna Borgford-Parnell, Public Health - Seattle & King County**  
**Jane Dobrovolny, Northwest Center Child Development**  
**Sandy Carlson, SKIP**  
**Margi Siegl, Department of Social and Health Services/Division of Developmental Disabilities**  
**Laura Brosas, CCR**  
**Kari Tanta, Valley Medical Center, Children's Therapy**  
**Robert Clayton, Parent**  
**Cheryl Buettmeier, Boyer's Children's Clinic**

**Guest Present:** **Brian Lange, Parent**  
**Jeanette Lange, Parent**  
**Julie Habegger, Parent**  
**Janet Huggins, University of Washington, FADU & PCAP**  
**Cathy Murahashi, The Arc of King County**  
\*pending application for KCICC membership  
**Melinda Dyer, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction**

\*Listed above are individuals who signed the roster.

**King County Developmental Disabilities Division Staff:** **Leilani Dela Cruz**  
**Michaelle Monday**  
**Jan Wrathall**

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## **WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS**

The regular meeting of the King County Interagency Coordinating Council convened at 9:35 a.m. on March 9, 2009, at the Community Center at Mercer View. Sandy Duncan, Chair, called the meeting to order with welcoming comments and self-introductions.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jeanette Lange, RN introduced herself and provided an overview of her previous involvement with early intervention in New Jersey and of her advocacy and education in Washington State for children with Autism. She has recently done community presentations regarding autism to pediatric residents at Seattle Children's Hospital, Valley Medical Center, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and has a presentation scheduled for Valley Pediatric Rehabilitation. Sandy Duncan, on behalf of the KCICC, welcomed Jeanette.

Jan Wrathall announced that Dale Dileo, Director/Consultant Training Resource Network from St. Augustine, Florida is scheduled to facilitate the following two trainings in March:

**Everyone Working:  
What Does it Mean? What Will it Take?**  
**March 10, 2009**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Dumas Bay Centre  
3200 SW Dash Point Rd.  
Federal Way, WA 98023

**Job Development  
March 12, 2009**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
North Seattle Community College  
ED Bldg.; Room 2843A  
9600 College Way N.  
Seattle, WA 98103

Jan encouraged parents to attend as a way of helping create and envision a positive future for their children.

Donna Borgford-Parnell provided a program update and distributed a document entitled, "Danger: These Cuts Can Kill." Public Health is the first line of defense in responding to disease outbreaks, bioterrorism, and in disaster preparedness. This document addresses the effects of budget cuts that prevent residents from receiving the care they need and may create a greater burden on the community. For more information, visit Public Health's website at [www.SavePublicHealth.com](http://www.SavePublicHealth.com).

Donna asked committee members to stand together by contacting their legislators to advocate for long-term stable and adequate sources of public health funding. It was suggested that KCICC draft a letter to David Fleming, Julia Patterson, and Legislators on the behalf of children with special healthcare needs. Jan Wrathall suggested that the KCICC strengthen their impact by requesting the support of the King County Board for Developmental Disabilities. The Board's next meeting is April 1, 2009, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at Region 4 located at 1700 E. Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

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**03090901** Sandy Duncan called for a motion for the KCICC to draft a letter on behalf of children with special healthcare needs. It was so moved, seconded, and it was the general consent of the committee to write a letter of support.

## REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee Members reviewed the January 26, 2009, Minutes. Correction to the January Minutes were recommended and noted as follows:

- Janet Dunnell should read Janet Huggins
- Cathy Murahashi does not represent The King County Parent Coalition. She is representing The Arc of King County
- Add Laura Brosas as being in attendance at the meeting

A motion to approve the January Minutes as corrected was not offered. Committee members requested the distribution of the September 22, 2008, KCICC Minutes for approval.

## PARENT TO PARENT PRESENTATION

Cathy Murahashi introduced herself as the new Parent to Parent Coordinator at The Arc of King County representing children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families. The Arc of King County has been connecting people to people and people to services since 1936. A network of trained volunteer parents, all of whom have children with developmental disabilities, are matched with new parents to listen, give guidance, and assistance. For more information, please contact Cathy Murahashi by phone at 206-829-7039, by email at [Cmurahashi@arcofkingcounty.org](mailto:Cmurahashi@arcofkingcounty.org), or visit The Arc's website at [www.arcofkingcounty.org](http://www.arcofkingcounty.org).

Cathy provided the following handout:

- ❖ Email Support and Information Groups. A list of parent support groups provided by Parent to Parent to assist families in connecting with other parents for support and information.
- ❖ Information Release Forms was distributed to committee members to forward to families of children with special needs. Interested families will provide authorization to the King County Early Intervention, Family Resource Coordinators, or the Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities staff for release of their contact information to The Arc of King County for resource and program information.

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- ❖ The King County Parent Coalition for Developmental Disabilities is a group of non-partisan parents, guardians, and family members who have come together to take action for members of their family who have developmental disabilities.

## **EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Melinda Dyer, Program Supervisor, Education of Homeless Children and Youth, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction provided background information on the McKinney-Vento Act. The McKinney-Vento Act is a federal law designed to ensure that children experiencing homelessness receive the educational services they need, including early intervention and special education. Every school district is required to have a McKinney-Vento Liaison, who must identify children experiencing homelessness and connect them with early childhood programs. For more information regarding the McKinney-Vento Liaisons, visit their website at [www.K12.wa.us/HomelessEd/](http://www.K12.wa.us/HomelessEd/).

Melinda provided the following handouts:

- ❖ Infant Toddler Early Intervention Program, Early Childhood Special Education, and Homelessness that provides more information about the McKinney-Vento Act
- ❖ Supporting Homeless Students with Disabilities: Implementing IDEA
- ❖ Navigating The Intersections of IDEA and McKinney-Vento: A Problem-Solving Process
- ❖ Individuals With Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) of 2004: Provision for Homeless Children and Youth With Disabilities
- ❖ Homeless Liaison Contact List

For more information or assistance, contact Melinda Dyer by Phone at 360-725-6050, by email at [Melinda.Dyer@K12.wa.us](mailto:Melinda.Dyer@K12.wa.us), or visit their website at [www.K12.wa.us](http://www.K12.wa.us).

## **INFANT TODDLER EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM AND STATE LEAD AGENCY REPORT**

Wayne Vrona, ITEIP Liaison was scheduled to give the Infant Toddler Early Intervention Program and State Lead Agency report, but he was unable to attend the meeting due to snow.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **PREVENTION / EARLY INTERVENTION ACTION TEAM**

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The next Prevention/Early Intervention Action Team Committee meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2009, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Region 4 located at 1700 E. Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

## **PARENT INVOLVEMENT**

No report

## **LEAD AGENCY REPORT**

Leilani Dela Cruz provided a budget update and reviewed the King County Fiscal Evaluation Report prepared by Emerald Consulting, LLC and the Solutions Consulting Group. The report provides recommendations that King County will prioritize and incorporate into their Early Intervention Work Plan.

## **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**

The next King County Interagency Coordinating Council Meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2009, from 9:30 – 12:00 p.m. at Community Center at Mercer View located at 8236 SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Mercer Island.

## **RECRUITMENT**

If you are interested in membership on the King County Interagency Coordinating Council or have questions, please contact Jan Wrathall at 206-263-9052, [Jan.wrathall@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Jan.wrathall@kingcounty.gov), visit our website at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/DDD/>.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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